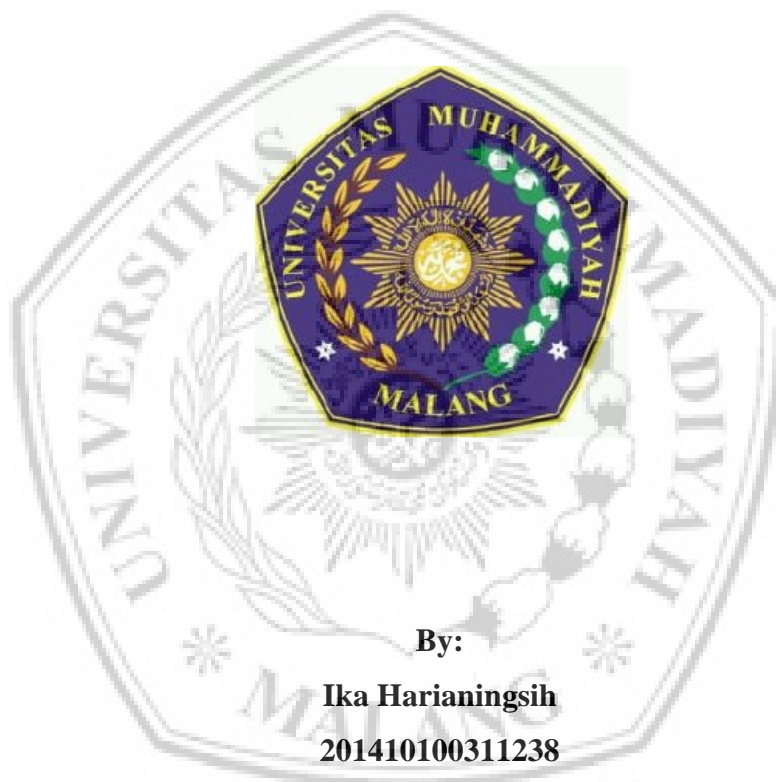


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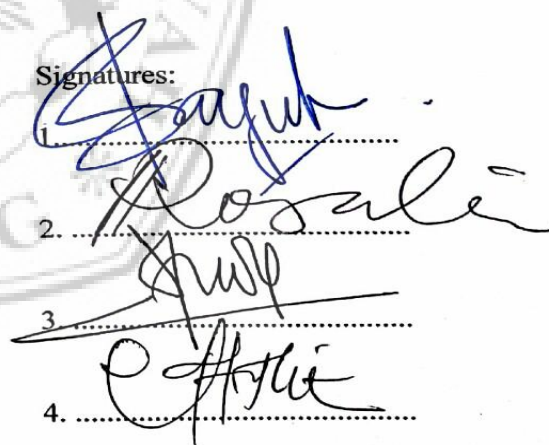


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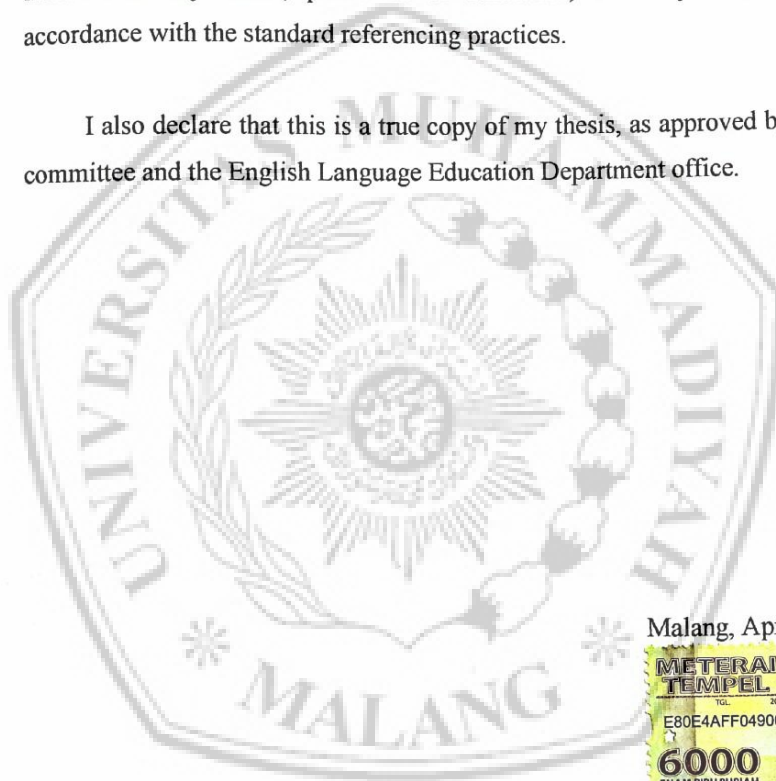
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ABSTRACT

Nowadays, educations in universities and colleges have increased students' group works in encouraging students in learning process. Many researchers such as (Johnson & Johnson, 2000; Burke, 2011; Li & Lam, 2013) have demonstrated that group work encouraged teamwork skill, communication, and problem-solving skill. Although many researchers have highlighted the positive outcomes by using group work method, only a few of the research investigating the international students' perceived value in the self-chosen group and heterogeneous lecturer-formed group. Thus, this current study aims to reveal the local and international students' perceptions in self-chosen and heterogeneous lecturer-formed group.

The writer used qualitative research design to provide in-depth understanding and get rich information about the students' perceptions in the self-chosen group and heterogeneous lecturer-formed group. Further, interview was used as the main technique in collecting the data from the entire participants who consisted of 5 local students and 5 international students.

The result shows the local students tend to have positive perceptions in self-chosen group, feel more comfortable and find more advantages rather than using heterogeneous lecturer-formed group. On the other hand, the international students tend to have more positive perceptions in the heterogeneous lecturer-formed group. The international students feel more comfortable, easy and also provide more advantages in using heterogeneous lecturer-formed group rather than in the self-chosen group.

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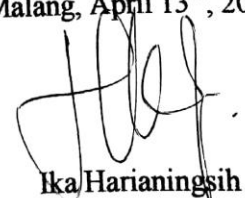
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